

23rd Annual
**Youth Alcohol and Drug
Abuse Prevention Project**

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YADAPP

July 23-26, 2007

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The Governor's Office for Substance Abuse Prevention as well as

the Department of Criminal Justice Services—Virginia Center for School Safety, the Virginia Department of Education, and the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control are pleased to announce the 23rd Annual Youth Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Project (YADAPP) to be held July 23-26, 2007 on the campus of Longwood University in Farmville, Virginia.

Note: Conference dates are Monday through Thursday this year.

What is YADAPP?



The Youth Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Project is a statewide youth leadership conference designed to empower teams of high school students with the resources and motivation to develop projects related to the promotion of school safety and the prevention of drug use among their peers. Since 1984,

approximately 440 different high schools and community organizations have participated in this unique "youth-led" leadership project.

The mission of YADAPP is to develop youth leadership in order to foster substance abuse and violence prevention efforts at the state, regional, and local level. At YADAPP 2007, conference participants will work as a team to create an action plan devoted to addressing an important substance abuse or violence prevention issue affecting the lives of their peers.

"inTune with the Future" is the theme of this year's conference. Participants are encouraged to plug in, turn up the volume, and work together in order to lead our Commonwealth into a future that is safe and drug-free for all.





YADAPP is a Team-Based Leadership Experience

The YADAPP summer leadership conference is a team-based leadership experience for high school age youth and sponsoring adults. High schools and community organizations are encouraged to send a team to YADAPP 2007 this summer. This team will represent your school or organization during the conference.

YADAPP 2007 Team

- 🎧 A team consists of four youth participants and one or two adult sponsors.
- 🎧 A team must represent either a high school or community organization.
- 🎧 Rising 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th graders may participate.
- 🎧 Diverse youth participants should be selected for their commitment to lead drug-free lives and their peer leadership potential.
- 🎧 At least one adult sponsor *must* accompany each team.



Who should attend YADAPP 2007?

- 🎧 High school students interested in making a difference
- 🎧 Students from leadership clubs/organizations such as SADD, SAVE, YOVASO, SGA, NHS, BETA, etc....
- 🎧 Students involved in community coalitions
- 🎧 Students working in the community through Community Services Boards, Offices on Youth, YMCAs, etc....
- 🎧 Adults interested in working with a team of students from their locality.

Activities

Motivational Speakers

YADAPP 2007 will feature motivational and inspiring guest speakers in order to energize both students and adults.

Strategies To Act Now (STAN) Plan

Facilitated by youth staff members, the STAN planning process provides structure and guidance for participants as they create a substance abuse and/or violence prevention activity for their school and community. Participants develop an actual plan to present to their principal or organization director.



Program Workshops

YADAPP 2007 will provide both students and adults the opportunity to attend workshops in order to learn more about drug and alcohol abuse programs they can replicate in their communities.

YADAPP 2007 Registration Information

How much does it cost?



The value and experience of YADAPP far exceeds the actual cost! The team registration fee for YADAPP 2007 is \$500. This fee will cover lodging and meals for a team of four students and one adult. Teams with an additional adult sponsor will be charged \$50 extra.

Conference and travel expenses can often be paid through the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 2001 (SDFSCA) funding allocated to each school division in Virginia.

Online registration payment options include credit card or check.

If paying by check, please make check payable to the *Treasurer of Virginia* and send to:

YADAPP 2007
Department of Criminal Justice Services
Attn: Judy Lloyd, Finance
202 North Ninth Street, 10th Floor
Richmond, VA 23219



How do I register a team?

Space is limited to the first 100 teams that register. Avoid disappointment and take advantage of this unique, Virginia tradition today in order to ensure that your high school or community organization is represented at YADAPP 2007. The registration process is completely online. Please visit www.dcjs.virginia.gov or www.yadapp.com to learn how to register your team.

The registration deadline for teams is **June 1, 2007**. Team member names will be required at a later date. In the event of cancellation, full refunds will be made up until June 15, 2007, and 50% refunds will be made until July 13, 2007.

How will I know that my team has been registered for YADAPP 2007?

Letters confirming registration will be sent directly to the adult sponsor mailing address entered during the team's online registration. These letters will be sent in advance of the conference and will contain detailed information to help your team prepare for YADAPP 2007.



Questions?

Do you have any questions not answered here? If so, please contact:

General YADAPP Questions:

Donna Bowman at 804-371-6506 or Donna.Bowman@dcjs.virginia.gov

Team Registration Questions:

Lynn McHugh at 804-225-2454 or Lynn.McHugh@dcjs.virginia.gov





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